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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

APPLICANTS: LINDA S. POWERS and CHRISTOPHER R. LLOYD  
SERIAL NO.: 10 054,419  
FILED: January 22, 2002  
FOR: METHOD AND APPARATUS FOR DETECTING THE PRESENCE OF  
MICROBES AND DETERMINING THEIR PHYSIOLOGICAL STATUS  
GROUP ART UNIT: 1651  
EXAMINER: LYNDA T. GUO

ELECTION OF SPECIES

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Sir:

Responsive to the Examiner's request for an election of species, mailed February 24,  
2003, Applicants respond as follows:

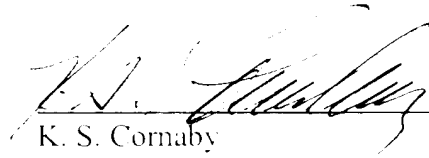
Applicants elect Invention I - Claims 1-13, 15, 17-27 of Group I drawn to a method for  
the detection of microbes or toxins, classified in class 435, subclass 34.

Applicants further elect Group A: Species of the target detected in the claimed method:  
(1) viable microbes, (2) non-viable microbes, or (3) toxins.

The above elections are made with traverse.

Should the Examiner require further clarification, he is requested to contact Applicants' undersigned attorney collect at (801) 521-3200.

Respectfully submitted,

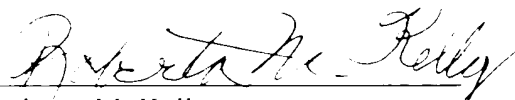
A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read "K. S. Cornaby", written over a horizontal line.

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